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Applicant: Ogata et al.

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For: POSITIVE RESIST COMPOSITION
AND BASE MATERIAL CARRYING
LAYER OF THE POSITIVE RESIST
COMPOSITION

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed December 4, 2006, a reply to which is due by March 4, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows. As this response is being filed within two months of the mailing of the Office Action, a reply by the three month due date is respectfully requested. As February 4, 2007, fell on a Saturday, this Amendment and Response to Office Action is timely filed under the two-month rule on Monday, February 5, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.